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SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL OBSERVATIONS, MOSCOW- SIMFEROPOL

DEPARTMENT PASS AGRICULTURE

1. ASSISTANT AGATTACHE AND CANADIAN AGRICULTURAL OFFICER
TRAVELLED BY CAR MOSCOW- OREL- KHARKOV- ZAPAROSHYE- SIMFEROPOL
APRIL 5-8. SUMMARY OBSERVATIONS FOLLOW:

2. CROPS: LATE SOWN WINTER GRAIN GENERALLY IN SATISFACTORY
CONDITION. EARLY FIELDS GOOD TO EXCELLENT. NO FIELDS WITH
WINTER KILL OBSERVED AND ONLY TWO OR THREE FALL SOWN FIELDS
RIPPED OUT. SPRING GARIN FIRST SEEN SOUTH OF ZAPAROSHE, JUST
EMERGING. FIELD WORK UNDERWAY EVERYWHERE SOUTH OF KHARKOV.
SOIK MOISTURE GOOD- EXCELLENT. NO SNOW COVER ENTIRE TRIP.

3. LIVESTOCK: FEW CATTLE OBSERVED; THESE IN FAIR CONDITION
ONLY. STRAW STACKS ALL ALONG ROUTE BROKEN INTO, BUT PART OF
STACKS ALWAYS REMAINING. LIVESTOCK QUARANTINE PIT ACROSS HIGH-
WAY MIDWAY BETWEEN KHARKOV- ZAPOROSHYE. FOUR SUCH PITS
ENCOUNTERED
WITHIN 107 KILOMETERS. AT ONE STATION ALL VEHICLE PASSENGERS
FORCED TO DISMOUNT AND WALK THROUGH SAWDUST- DISINFECTANT
MIXTURE. GUARDS HERE SAID QUARANTINE WAS AGAINST " CATTLE
DISEASE." BETWEEN ZAPOROSHYE AND SIMFEROPOL QUARANTINE
STATIONS COMMON -- BOTH ACROSS HIGHWAY AND AT FARM ENTRANCES.
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ON ONE OCCASION CARS HAD TO DRIVE THROUGH AXEL DEEP CONCRETE
PIT FILLED WITH DISINFECTANT SOLUTION.
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